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John H. Pratt, Esquire
President
District of Columbia Bar Association
Washington Building
Washington 5, D. C.

Dear Mr. Pratt:

Your comment on the opening page of the
August District of Columbia Bar Association Journal
has been brought to my attention.

You stated very well, I thought, the
particular responsibility and ability that lawyers
have in matters of public concern, such as the
present crisis in civil rights.

Sincerely,

/s/
Attorney General

AUG 20 1963

Harmon B. Glasser, Esquire
President
New York State Association
• of Trial Lawyers
275 Broadway, Suite 9702
New York 7, New York

Dear Mr. Glasser:

This will acknowledge your letter of July 2, 1963, addressed to the President, which he has asked me to answer.

The meeting to which you refer was the White House conference of representative attorneys from all over the country, at which the President, the Vice President and I spoke on the present crisis in civil rights and the necessity for action and leadership in this area among the bar.

At the President's request, Messrs. Harrison Tased of New York and Bernard G. Segal of Philadelphia have organized a nation-wide Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights under Law. Although many of the lawyers who have volunteered for service on this committee were present at the White House conference, many others were not.

I am sure that Messrs. Tased and Segal would welcome your offer of services to the committee and I am forwarding to them a copy of your letter.

Sincerely,

HC/

Attorney General

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William L. Wilson, Esquire
President
Kentucky State Bar Association
Marion Building
Cincinnati, Kentucky

Dear Mr. Wilson:

Thank you for your letter of August 9, 1963, containing a report of the July 26 meeting of the Kentucky State Bar Association. I am forwarding a copy of your letter to Messrs. Harrison Turod and Bernard G. Segal, Co-Chairmen of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights under Law.

The record of the Kentucky State Bar Association is a fine one which should be brought to the attention of bar associations in other states.

Sincerely,



Attorney General

215 Constitution Ave., NE
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August 10, 1963

Hon. Robert Kennedy
Attorney General of the United States
Justice Department
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Dear Sir:

I understand that more than 260 lawyers have volunteered to step in as attorneys and mediators in time of crisis as part of the Lawyers' Committee on Civil Rights recently formed pursuant to President Kennedy's request.

As an attorney and professional engineer, I would very much like to volunteer my services to this Committee. However, since I am employed on the legal staff of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, there may be some problems. Do you know of any reason why government attorneys would be prohibited from joining this worthy cause?

I would very much appreciate hearing from you in this regard.

Sincerely,


Stephen F. Owen Jr.

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The Honorable John F. Kennedy
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Honorable President Kennedy:

This is a bar association with a membership of approximately 3,000 actively practicing attorneys throughout the State of New York. The members of this association are daily before the various courts and Appellate Courts of the State of New York, the District Courts of the United States and its Appellate Courts, on behalf of their clients who are people from all walks of life, in every kind of civil matter.

It has come to our attention that you have appointed a committee of bar associations in order to study the problems of integration. Being one of the largest bar associations in the State of New York, we were surprised to read that meetings were being held in Washington and our association was not asked to be represented.

We are most interested in the problems of integration and would be honored and pleased to serve on this committee. We feel certain that, with the knowledge and understanding of people gained from the composite years of trial experience which our membership represents, appointment to this committee of a representative of this association would bring to the committee helpful suggestions regarding the many problems of integration.

May we then have the honor of sending a representative to join your other bar association appointees to study the problems of integration.

Most respectfully yours,

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ATTORNEY GEN. FRANK

Honorable Robert F. Kennedy
Office of the Attorney General
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Dear General Kennedy:

I hope you will excuse the delay in my answering your letter of June 28, 1963, however, the matters discussed at the White House on June 21, 1963, in regard to the civil rights program were presented to the Board of Governors of Kentucky State Bar Association at its meeting on July 26, 1963. After that date I was engaged in traveling throughout Kentucky at District Bar Meetings and have just now returned to my office. The meeting at the White House was most impressive and one which I feel will do much good toward securing the aid of the lawyers in the civil rights program. My official action as to the appointment of committees, etc. in the Kentucky State Bar Association is controlled largely by our Board of Governors and partially because of this the matter was discussed with the Board at its above mentioned meeting.

Since 1934 the Kentucky State Bar Association has been an Integrated Bar by act of the legislature. Every lawyer in the State of Kentucky, regardless of race, is a member of the Kentucky State Bar Association and so far as I know or have been able to learn there is not now and has not been for many years any discrimination among the lawyers. No person has been denied legal services because of his race or religion.

The feeling of the Board of Governors is expressed by the following entry in the minutes of the July 26 meeting of the Board of Governors of the Kentucky Bar.

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"President Wilson advised with the Board concerning a communication and request from the President and Attorney General of the United States. Generally, the nature of the subject matter deals with serious problems present in many states and localities with respect to integration, segregation, discrimination and legal aid to the indigent and those unable to obtain representation because of race, creed or color.

After an extended discussion and consideration the Board authorized the entries as follows:

That the Kentucky State Bar Association was integrated by Chapter 30 of the 1934 Act of the General Assembly and Rules of the Court of Appeals. That pursuant to this act and the Rules of Court no discrimination, preferential treatment or other problem exists within the Association.

Further, that the Board will take prompt, definite action in the event such matters come into existence.

With respect to legal aid it was pointed out that, in the history of Kentucky's Judicial System, no individual has ever been denied representation by reason of race, creed or color in civil or criminal cases.

With respect to the foregoing matters the Board of Governors recommends that each individual lawyer, in their respective communities, aid and assist to the fullest extent of their influence and ability, to insure that discrimination be eliminated, violence be prevented; that the laws of our land and the decisions of our Courts may be observed and executed with promptness, fairness and impartiality."

It is my feeling, based upon the observations made throughout a recent tour of Kentucky, that lawyers throughout the state will assume a responsible role in their respective communities in regard to the civil rights program.

Yours truly,



William L. Wilson

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August 9, 1963

Honorable Bernard G. Segal
1719 Packard Building
Philadelphia 2, Pennsylvania

Dear Bernie:

In my capacity as Chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar Association and as one who has over the years been intimately involved in virtually every civic problem and project affecting this area, I have watched with great interest the formation and operations of the President's Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law. My interest in the extremely important work of this Committee has increased because of the aid which it has given President Kennedy and Attorney General Kennedy in their noble fight to eradicate fundamental inequities and disparities of opportunity among an important but minority group of United States citizens.

I agreed with President Kennedy and Attorney General Kennedy that every man's dignity must be protected against invasion. Otherwise no man's dignity can be secure.

Perhaps you would be interested in the work we have accomplished thus far in the Philadelphia area. Mayor Tate appointed a bi-racial non-partisan citizens' committee to recommend specific actions. The co-chairman of this committee is the Honorable Thomas D. McBride, former Chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar Association. In my capacity as Chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar Association I was appointed to this committee and subsequently designated by the committee as chairman of the subcommittee on Public Employment.

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In accepting this appointment I did so on the express condition that the committee should be an action committee rather than one satisfied merely with the issuance of mimeographed statements to the media of mass communications. I was given these assurances by the Mayor and others on the committee.

Since my appointment as chairman of the subcommittee we have actually brought about significant changes insofar as the municipal government of Philadelphia is concerned. It was only natural that my subcommittee should begin its work at this level inasmuch as my experience as the City Solicitor of Philadelphia from 1956 to 1963 gave me some insight into the problem.

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Among the specific actions already recommended to the Mayor and the City Administration and accepted by them are the following:

1. There will be a reorganization of the oral examining boards which give the examinations for appointment and promotion in the civil service.

This is of the greatest importance because many qualified Negroes and non-whites have been extremely reluctant either to apply for civil service appointment at the intermediate or higher levels or for promotions to such levels for fear that the examining board would in any event discriminate against them. As a result, the civil service has been deprived of a large number of truly qualified personnel. These citizens at the same time have failed to accept opportunities which otherwise would have been available to them. Under the reorganization of the oral examining boards, Negroes and others will be included whose very membership on the boards will instill confidence in all that the examinations will be administered absolutely fairly and without discrimination. This will bring about a substantial increase in appointments and promotions, especially in the service departments such as the police and fire departments. The disparity presently existing between whites and non-whites at the intermediate and higher levels will thus be reduced greatly.

2. A widespread training program will be introduced, coordinated and stressed. The significance of this is as follows: It is well known that because of prior lack of educational and employment opportunities, many Negroes and other non-whites are not technically qualified for appointment to intermediate and higher positions in the civil service. At the same time there are a number of in-government and out-of-government training courses. These include courses given by our local schools and colleges including University of Pennsylvania, Temple University, Villanova University, Drexel Institute, La Salle College, St. Joseph's College, Haverford College, Swarthmore College and Bryn Mawr College among others. The City Administration will take action to coordinate the information relating to all of these training programs. It will give widespread publicity to the existence of these programs and will urge members of the civil service to take advantage of these, and others who seek to enter civil service to do the same thing. In a comparatively short time this will result in a substantial increase in a number of certified technically qualified non-whites for positions at the intermediate and higher levels of the civil service.

Bernard G. Segal, Esquire

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3. In respect to exempt positions, in seeking the best qualified personnel to fill these, the appointing powers are urged and expected to get give recognition to the disparity of personnel existing between whites and non-whites at the intermediate and higher levels of government complex.

These are only some of the more significant actions already taken. I can assure you that we will continue to take specific actions at various levels and will continue to assure that results will be obtained.

In light of the above, recognizing the tremendous effort that the President and his Committee have been making in this area, I shall be very pleased to volunteer my services as a member of the President's Committee. I think that the experience which we have had here in Philadelphia would possibly be of some assistance in developing a national policy and I should be very happy to participate with you in the very great work which you and the Committee are doing.

Moreover, it would give me the opportunity to coordinate the work of the Standing Committee on Civil Rights which you established during your administration as Chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar Association. This Committee has steadily acted since its inception to protect and defend the civil rights and civil liberties of all.

With expressions of my highest esteem, I am

Sincerely,

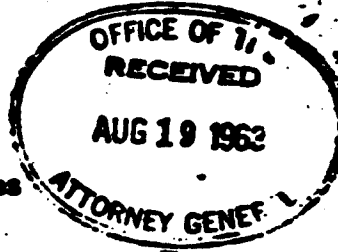

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cc: Honorable Robert F. Kennedy, Attorney General
Louis F. Oberdorfer, Assistant Attorney General

UNIVERSITY CIRCLE RESEARCH CENTER INC.

August 16, 1963



The Honorable Robert F. Kennedy
Attorney General of the United States
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bob:

I want to thank you for your letter of July 24th and indicate that I have heard from Mr. Harrison Tweed of New York and have agreed to serve on the Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law. I hope that this committee does make a real contribution in the Civil Rights Program and that I can be helpful in any deliberations or actions that may take place.

You suggested that I might prove helpful to you in offering any thoughts or suggestions derived from my experience in Cleveland about approaches useful in encouraging volunteer steps by businessmen and other community leaders for desegregation. Needless to say, the climate of crisis that has prevailed in the last several months has opened up responsible lines of communication that did not exist before, some public and others private in character. In Cleveland we have been fortunate enough to date to have avoided some of the more overt demonstrations related in particular to public construction projects. I enclose a recent article appearing in the New York Times citing the Cleveland experience and the first public confrontation with the Building Trades Unions. I can't say that this problem has been resolved or that Cleveland public, labor and management officials have all the answers by a long shot. The community leadership is, however, alert to the problem and some progress has been made.

This in itself is some progress, and should prove constructive, particularly in that the leaders in this community have placed this problem at the top of the "crisis pile" and are committed to make every reasonable effort to solve it. One of the most important steps in the solution is, of course, the continuous exchange of information between this community and other communities who are so committed. I have been particularly impressed with the coverage of the Christian Science Monitor in the newspaper medium, but feel that this medium alone is not sufficient. Perhaps it would be appropriate to use the staff of the Attorney General organized as it is on a district or regional basis as advisors and consultants in what is taking place in various parts of the country, suggesting experiences that are pertinent to communities such as

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Cleveland. Such a timely exchange of information at this particular moment when the responsible leadership of an area is actively concerned might prove very productive. A principal problem that we all fear is the acceptance of scattered, piece-by-piece opiates in contrast with a commitment to an over-all program covering, not only the problem of employment desegregation, but also the comprehensive educational and job-training structure that must be established primarily under local initiative and leadership if anything really substantive is to be achieved.

Again, many thanks for your kind letter. If I can be of any further help in addition to serving on the Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, please advise. Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Bill
Willard W. Brown
President

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Willard W. Brown, Registe
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Dear Mr. Brown:

Thank you for your letter of August 14, 1963, copy of which I am forwarding to Brown, Smith and Brown. Your committee is performing a very valuable service in coordinating and standardizing the experience of local groups all over the country and making that experience available to other groups.

This Department will continue to maintain a close liaison with the Lawyers' Committee and I am pleased to know that you have agreed to serve on that committee.

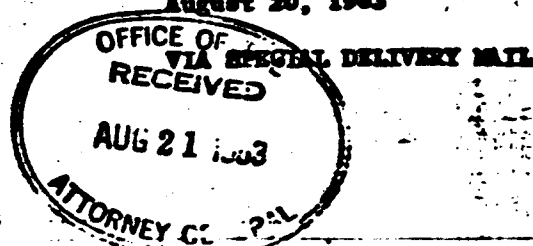
Sincerely,

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August 20, 1963

Honorable Robert F. Kennedy, Esquire
Attorney General of the United States
Washington 25, D.C.



My dear Mr. Attorney General:

A Resolution commending you personally, and as Attorney General of the United States, for your forthright and courageous stand in the matter of the preservation of the civil rights of all Americans was unanimously passed by the National Bar Association at its 38th Annual Convention assembled in Chicago August 10, 1963. A copy of this Resolution is tendered to you herewith by undersigned under authority conferred upon him by the National Bar Association, Incorporated and contained within the Resolution.

On that same date the National Bar Association unanimously passed a Resolution deploring activities of certain local, State and Federal governmental officials, under color of their office, directed toward the suppression and prevention of the citizens' exercise of their privilege peacefully to assemble, petition, and protest by means of lawful demonstration, the denial of rights secured to them under and by virtue of the Constitution of the United States of America. Because of your manifest and demonstrated interest in the elimination of such abusive practices by office holders, a copy of this Resolution is being transmitted to you herewith.

On behalf of all of the members of the National Bar Association undersigned seeks, in simple terms, to convey to you the sense of the sincere appreciation of its membership for your highly successful and eminently effective incumbency in the office of Attorney General of the United States.

The gratitude of undersigned, as an individual, was personally expressed to you last fall upon the occasion of our meeting in your offices on September 27, 1962, in the interest of the National Bar Association. This letter will serve also to reiterate that expression.

Very respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "De Long Harris".

De Long Harris,
Chairman, Resolutions Committee,
NATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION, INCORPORATED

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Enclosures: NBA Resolutions

1. "Commendation of Attorney General."
2. "Protesting Use of Office to Prevent Lawful Demonstration."

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RESOLUTION

(Commendation to the Attorney General of the United States)

WHEREAS, the Honorable Robert F. Kennedy, during his tenure in the office of the Attorney General of the United States of America, has devoted his time untiringly and unceasingly in an effort to keep constant vigilance upon the preservation of constitutional rights throughout this broad nation; and,

WHEREAS, the Attorney General has used his good office without fear or favor in seeking the correction of denials of human rights as well as to strengthen the high ideals of equal justice before law; and,

WHEREAS, the Attorney General has consistently, fearlessly and courageously supported before the Congress of the United States proposed Civil Rights legislation in 1963, in the highest traditions of the legal profession, and in the great tradition of our theory of government,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the National Bar Association in annual convention assembled, unanimously expresses its gratitude, appreciation and commendation to the Honorable Robert F. Kennedy, Attorney General of the United States of America, for his fearless and courageous stand upon the subject of human rights.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the National Bar Association through its Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, cause copies of this Resolution to be transmitted to the President of the United States, the Attorney General of the United States, members of the Press, and that a record of the same be spread upon the minutes of the National Bar Association.

/s/ Robert E. Lillard
ROBERT E. LILLARD, President

/s/ De Long Harris
De LONG HARRIS, Chairman
Resolutions Committee

ATTEST:

/s/ Leona Pouncey Thurman
LEONA POUNCEY THURMAN,
Secretary

Done at Chicago, Illinois, this 10th day of August, A.D. 1963.

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the constitutionally guaranteed rights of assembly and expression have been used throughout this country in mass demonstrations to draw attention to racial discrimination, oppression, exploitation and other grievances of the Negro, and

WHEREAS, efforts to suppress the exercise of these rights of assembly and expression have taken varied forms: economic reprisal, loss of jobs, police brutality in the form of water, tear gas, beasts, indiscriminate arrests, and the unwarranted employment by local, state and, now, federal officials in the powers of their office.

THIS ASSOCIATION THEREFORE RESOLVES that it supports the peaceful exercise of the rights of assembly and expression to dramatize and correct just grievances, and it deplores and condemns all unlawful efforts to suppress and thwart the exercise of these rights.

/s/ Robert E. Lillard
ROBERT E. LILLARD, President

/s/ De Long Harris
De LONG HARRIS, Chairman
Resolutions Committee

Attest:

/s/ Leona Pouncey Thurman
LEONA POUNCEY THURMAN, Secretary

Done at Chicago, Illinois, this 10th day of August, 1963.

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Dr. Lang Elliott, Executive
Chairman, Interfaith Committee
National Bar Association, Incorporated
1601 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington 1, D. C.

Dear Mr. Elliott:

I am very grateful to receive copies
of the resolutions adopted by the National Bar
Association on August 22, 1963. The notable
progress which is presently being achieved in
the field of civil rights would not be possible
except for the devoted work of many organizations
and many individuals.

I am proud and honored to have played
even part in this achievement, and the encourage-
ment provided from your organization is warmly
appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Attorney General

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July 26, 1963



TO: YD District Chairmen & County Club Chairmen
FROM: Claude Lee, President, YD Clubs of Kansas
SUBJECT: "Shop for Equality" Program

This is a preliminary information sheet on a State YD program which can be a moral and meaningful support to America's minority group seeking equal opportunity. We can, at the same, time help those people who, in their business practices, are helping to slowly but surely make equal opportunity for all Americans, a fact.

To be more specific, it is an obvious fact that the lack of equal opportunity in employment is a major bottleneck in the fight of Negro Americans to achieve real equality. Many types of businesses and retail stores still follow a practice of neither hiring nor permitting Negroes to trade in their establishment. However, for many reasons, some establishments in recent months have changed this policy and are more nearly "color blind" in their practices. This has happened even in some southern cities where stores and businesses have established integrated practices for the first time in history due to the pressures which have been brought to bear by many courageous American leaders.

However, it is the announced policy of the White Citizens Council in many of these areas to boycott those businesses and bring all possible economic pressure to bear on these businessmen. As a consequence, these businessmen are suffering. There are right here in our own Kansas communities, stores and businesses which are making available jobs to members of minority races. This has happened realitively quietly and without fanfare.

Just as it is our duty to call attention to inequities when they exist, it is also our duty to commend and encourage courageous people who do a good job in this vital area. It is for this reason that we have conceived and are beginning "Shop for Equality" program in Kansas.

"Shop" consists of the following: (1) We in our own communities attempt to discover what businesses and stores have in recent months made progress in hiring practices. This can be done several ways-----through local NAACP chapter, through individual store managers etc.; (2) we distribute to our own members and in turn request them to use personal influence among their friends,

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to buy, shop and otherwise exert positive economic pressure in favor of those business concerns which promote equal opportunity; (3) We prepare signs and organize "positive picketing parties"--- groups of members and other interested people who, during peak hours, picket these retail establishments and businessmen with signs which urge customers to buy at these stores: for example "Shop here---the Management of this Store has Taken Action for Equal Opportunity and a Stronger America" or "Shop for Equity Here," etc. etc. Sign possibilities are endless; (4) The State Organization will very soon, furnish to each local club, a list of the chain stores with stores in Kansas who are suffering economically in the south because they practice the principal of equal opportunity. We can particularly promote shopping at these chain stores as a sort of "economic counterbalance" to off-set the economic pressure brought against these businesses by southern racists.

The above outline is very vague and subject to enlargement later. Your suggestions as how to make this program better are earnestly solicited.

However, I hope the purpose of this program is clear. All Americans spend millions of dollars over the counter every day. Most of these dollars are spent indiscriminately. Through our program of selective buying, we can make our dollars do "double duty," as it were.

They will not only buy the things we want in our highly productive economy; our dollars can also count as "votes" cast for equal opportunity, ---just another way of saying "thanks" to Americans who help in the slow but sure fight to make all Americans free----free to work and to take advantage of this great economic system which we have.

Let us never forget that a civil rights problem is not just a Negro problem; it is everyone's problem. All Americans can suffer because one American group suffers-----not only economically but morally and internationally. For that reason this program is vital to all Americans.

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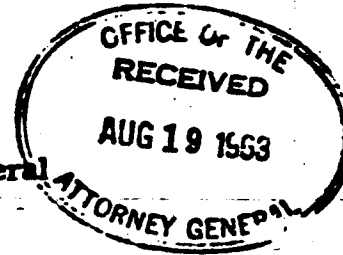
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Mr. Robert Kennedy, Attorney General
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

In Re: Proposed National "Shop
for Equity Program."

Dear Sir:

I wish to commend you and the President for your practically sound action in the field of civil rights. I believe history will show that the turning point in the battle of the American Negro for social and economic "color-blindness" was your coolness in resisting pressures until public consensus for action was high enough to insure passage of meaningful legislation in 1963.

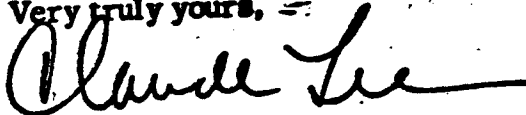
In a desire to build public consensus for your program in racially uncertain Kansas, I have conceived a program called "Shop for Equity," which hopefully will have broad appeal and will give every citizen a chance to participate, either privately or publicly, to whatever degree they wish. In addition, the program has the advantage of being positive rather than negative and should not provoke reaction among those people who do not favor use of an economic boycott as a socio-economic weapon. Many responsible Negro leaders here, (including Republicans), have reacted favorably to a suggestion a Wichita Eagle reporter, Don Granger (who is also the local Time-Life stringer) that "Shop for Equity" contains the seeds of a

Mr. Robert Kennedy
August 16, 1963
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unified national program. I am therefore forwarding a copy of my definitive memo for your judgment on this matter, and if you agree that it has nationwide potential, for your tactical directions as to the initiating of this program.

I convey to you my warmest personal greeting since our last meeting here in Kansas when I met you as State Chairman of "Students for Kennedy-Johnson." I am sure you would not remember me from that meeting except for the presence of my father, Malcolm R. Lee, who was then Democratic County Chairman of Sedgwick County, Kansas. Coincidentally, Dad, in his new role as Employee Relations Assistant to the Regional Director of Post Offices in this three-state area, has become an acknowledged leader in the field of equal employment opportunities. Extending Dad's warmest personal regards and mine, I remain,

Very truly yours, -



Claude Lee, President
YOUNG DEMOCRATIC CLUBS OF KANSAS

CL/bs.

cc/

Joe Dolan
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

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August 21, 1963

William H. Ferguson, Esquire,
President,

The Bar Association of the
State of Kansas,
Columbian Building,
Box 1717,
Topeka, Kansas.



Dear Mr. Ferguson:

Thank you for your letter of August 8th.

I am delighted to learn that the Executive Council of the Bar Association of the State of Kansas has expressly authorized you as President of the Association to serve as a member of this Committee.

It is gratifying to know that Kansas now has laws in the field of civil rights more stringent in most areas than those presently proposed by President Kennedy and that you, as Attorney General, are endeavoring to enforce these laws to the fullest extent.

We are delighted to have you as a member of our Committee. In due course we shall send to you material which has previously been circulated among the members of the Committee and, of course, you will be on our mailing list from here on.

Sincerely yours,

Bernard G. Segal

cc: Honorable Robert F. Kennedy
Harrison T. ... Esquire

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August 8, 1963.

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 8. The eighth step is to improve the solution.
 9. The ninth step is to document the solution.
 10. The tenth step is to communicate the solution.

Dear Mr. Segal:

Fortunately, to date, Kansas has had little of the racial tensions which have come to some states.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,



William M. Ferguson
President

WMF/md

Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law

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HARRISON TWEED
1 Chase Manhattan Plaza
New York 5, N.Y.

BERNARD G. SEGAL
Packard Building
Philadelphia 2, Pa.

Dear Lou:

Don't you think it would be a good idea to have the Attorney General express his appreciation. This is the first contribution from a bar association and unsolicited by us at that. Hoffman is a very good fellow.

Best regards.

B. Segal
August 19, 1963

Louis Hoffman, Esquire,
Dudley, Hoffman, Price & Grunert,
P. O. Box 717,
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

Dear Lou:

Thank you ever so much for sending to me check in the amount of \$300 drawn to the order of Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law constituting a contribution to the expenses of our committee by the Virgin Islands Bar (Integrated). All of us appreciate your initiative and industry in seeking and effecting this result.

I am sending copies of this letter to Messrs. Johnson and Rogers, President and Treasurer respectively, of the Virgin Islands Bar (Integrated) but I hope you will convey to everyone concerned the gratefulness of the Committee for this concrete expression of your association's interest and support.

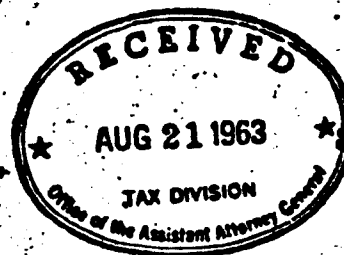
I am delighted to learn that you are going to be at the Judicial Conference for the Third Circuit in Atlantic City next week.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Bernard G. Segal

cc: Russell B. Johnson, President and
C. DeWitt Rogers, Jr., Treasurer,
Virgin Islands Bar, Christiansted,
St. Croix, Virgin Islands.



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August 15, 1963.

**Bernard G. Segal, Esquire, Co-Chairman
Lawyers Committee For Civil Rights Under Law
1719 Packard Building,
Philadelphia 2, Penna.**

Dear Bernie:

In reporting to the President of our Bar concerning the activities of your Committee and the correspondence in reference thereto from yourself and Attorney General Kennedy, I also recommended that our Bar contribute to the expenses of your Committee.

I am very pleased to advise that my suggestion was accepted and I enclose check to the order of your Committee dated August 9, 1963 #252 drawn on the Virgin Islands National Bank, Christiansted, in the sum of \$300.00. This check was accompanied by a letter to me from our President in which he requested I send it "to the appropriate person" which I am doing.

We all in the Virgin Islands wish your Committee success and as you already know we are ready to assist in any way desired.

With warm regards, and looking forward to seeing you in Atlantic City at the Judicial Conference for the Third Circuit, I am

Sincerely,

Louis Hoffman
Louis Hoffman

Encl.(1)

cc:

**Harrison Tweed, Esquire,
1 Chase Manhattan Plaza
New York 5, N.Y.**

**Messrs. Russell B. Johnson and
C. DeWitt Rogers, Jr., President
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FOR: Monday, July 15, 1963

PROGRAM: Walt Matson and Chuck Laws will report on the Interantional Cosmopolitan Convention which they attended at Saskatoon, Canada. This should be interesting... Several members are wondering if there might have been any Christine Keelers in attendance, if so what results and all the gory details connected therewith. Mrs. Matson being present, I would imagine Walt behaved...as to Laws, there is absolutely no evidence we can find to clear or convict, so until we can dig up some further evidence, I suggest we put him on probation.

LAST WEEK:

Brennan's talk

James Brennan was guest speaker. He was one of a group called to Washington to discuss pending Legislation on segregation. In his opinion some law will be passed along this line, but that the Private Accomodation section may run into trouble.

Hunter's own reaction!!!

I don't think there are 5% of the American people who would wish to deprive any minority group of any of the privileges to which they are entitled as Americans, but I also think that a group of "do-gooders" have blown up a lot of little mole-hills into oversize mountains on this segregation issue and as a consequence we are confronted with riots throughout the land...

What after discussion?

GUESTS:

Lowell Holmgren - Robert Tomishima
 C.O.D. Bill Kilroy - James Brennan
 C. W. Laws - Mr. Gus Utke and his son Bob from Milwaukee. Mr. Utke is a past President of Cosmo International and his son is the present Chaplain of same.
 Bill Noordermer - Cliff Anderson
 Dick Erdman - Dale Yeoman and Tom McKiernan

MR. X :

Cy Pettigrew MR. LUCKY: Martin Westberg

NOTES:

Theron is in Hawaii cavorting around with short grass skirts... I should add, as short as Mary will permit, so substitute Hunter was asked to fill in on a quickie.

Signed: Hunter

This man Hunter "got in his alicks while we were in Hawaii on vacation. My husband is normally the editor of this little rag!"

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Guenther, William A.	Auto Supplies	2-9100	462 E. College
Haight, Rodney W.	Counselor	2-2990	612 St. Anne St.
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Hight, Robert L.	Barber	2-5659	814 N. Maple St.
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Kahler, Richard	Real Estate	2-3423	Box 1531
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Kilroy, William J.	Trust Officer	2-5000	219 Cleveland
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Kramer, Robert P.	Plumbing & Heating Wholesale	2-2343	421 Maple St.
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Noordman, Bill	Park Superintendent	2-3776	136 E. Van Buren
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...every citizen's right there is a corresponding duty, and that seemed to be the consensus of the meeting of the Lawyers Committee on Civil Rights that met with President Kennedy in Washington recently. R. James Brennan, local attorney who attended the meeting, reported to the Lions Club Tuesday on his reactions to the conference.

Besides the President, other speakers were Vice President Lyndon Johnson and Attorney General Robert Kennedy. Three hours of speaking and questions and answers were consumed, Brennan said.

Outcome of the conference was the appointment of a committee from the American Bar Association to work out recommendations and advise the President.

Brennan said he was impressed with the broad-minded manner in which the legal profession received the principles of proposed civil rights legislation.

Citizens' rights and duties go hand in hand, and unless the Negro accepts this he is not going to progress, the speaker said. He also said the Negro must earn his right to first class citizenship and not remain in a carefree and slum situation. He should prove his right to accept first class citizenship.

Brennan said the Negroes were turning against President Kennedy and the Democratic party because they claim election promises have not been kept. Now they are taking the matter into their own hands. However, the speaker said, the Negro leaders are now losing control of their members.

The proposed Negro march Aug. 28 is dangerous, as there is no actual leadership or means of control.

Don Knocht was program chairman.

R. L. Hall, a charter member of the club, was reelected as a member.

THERON A. ZIMMERMAN
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Church Secretary

August 11, 1963

The Honorable Robert Kennedy
Attorney General of the U. S. A.

Dear Mr. Kennedy,

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concerned

Like many citizens concerned for the advancement of civil rights I have been pleased to know of your meetings with many varied groups. Just a few days ago I received an excellent letter from a woman who attend Fish Race Relations Institute with me earlier in the summer. She was very appreciative of the meeting the President, A. Pres and you held with 300 women leaders. She attended and felt it very worthwhile.

were not all as cooperative.
I enclose a news clipping
from our local paper which
really infuriated me. Is there
any way to "set the record
straight" on this lawyers' meet-
ing - as far as our local press
is concerned? Was any nearby
S. D. lawyer there who could
write a "Letter to the Editor" and
clear up some of the very false
and slurring remarks made
by Brennan?

Since both the National
Council of Churches and Catholic
leaders have urged support of
the Aug. 28 March, the last
statement is utterly false -

Thank you for all you and
the President are doing! But
please do all you can! There is
a terrible urgency about this -
I agree with James Baldwin about this.
Most sincerely, Mary ^{Generalman} Mrs. G.A.)

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July 18, 1963

To Members of the Lawyers' Committee for
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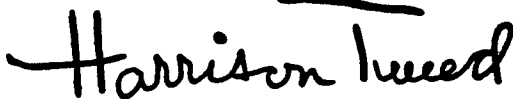
There has been splendid response from lawyers throughout the nation who have volunteered to serve on the Lawyers' Committee.

We are enclosing a list of the Committee's members as of this date and also a copy of a recent press release that we issued. On the list of members, we have tried to include a brief reference to a current or recent affiliation of each member with the organized bar or public office. Any corrections or needed additions to such references would be appreciated. It would also be helpful if each member would send us a biographical data sheet.

The Committee is in the process of organizing an executive committee and establishing subcommittees in the various areas of the Committee's work which we described in our letter of July 1. There has been a great deal of activity since the President's Conference by Committee members who have been working to relieve tensions in local communities and who have been cooperating with state and local bar associations in forming bi-racial committees and in seeking solutions to problems in the civil rights area. Within the following week we hope to send you a full report of the Committee's activities until now, and an outline of the Committee's plans for the future.

In the meantime, we would very much appreciate your continuing to report on local developments.

Sincerely yours, . .


Harrison Tweed


Bernard G. Segal